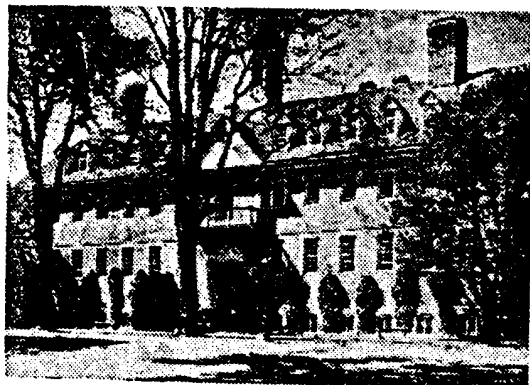


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William and Mary Covert Operations



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Documents obtained by the student newspaper at the College of William and Mary show the Central Intelligence Agency conducted a covert information-gathering operation on the college campus during the turbulent late 1960s and early 1970s.

CIA files obtained by the newspaper, the Flat Hat, under the Freedom of Information Act show that an unidentified informant regularly reported to the CIA on "dissident" activities and incidents on campus.

The Flat Hat quoted an unidentified CIA employee as saying the agency's activities at William and Mary were part of "Project Resistance" and the companion "Merrimac" operation — nationwide efforts to monitor extremist activity.